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CHAMBER OF COMMERCE TOLD OF PAVING PLAN

Under the fostering care of Committeemen J. E. McPherson and J. E. Townsend, the meeting of the Niles Chamber of Commerce held Tuesday was a large one. Besides a tableful of members, Mr. Jacobs, a newcomer from Iowa and Mr. Harris, of San Francisco, were present.

Secretary Bristow read a letter from the Board of Supervisiors inclosing a resolution instructing the county engineers to go ahead with the surveying of the Niles Canyon road. It provoked some comment as to how soon paving would actually be started, and it was the sentiment that the project should be pushed to completion.

Membership Committeeman Harvey Braun reported three new members for this week.

F. V. Jones of the Dumping Ground committee, reported that only diplomacy prevented some of our members from being in jail now.

Jack Goldner, Scoutmaster, reported that the local troop had reached its full membership of 36. He asked that members favorably consider giving toward the expenses of sending boy scouts to their summer camp, stating that 85c a day was all that was needed. Superintendent of Schools E. B. Hodges pledged $5.00 from the school faculty.

Secretary E. D. Bristow gave a short and interesting talk on the origin of the American flag and how to display it.

The matter of the Peerless stages stopping in the middle of the street was brought up and discussed.

MELONES WATER AND POWER DEVELOPMENT

A great dam impounding water and a power house generating electric energy stand today as lasting monuments created by cooperation.

The farmers of two irrigation districts vitally concerned over the need of a more dependable source of supply of water for irrigation joined with a power company primarily interested in power development and successfully worked out what has proved to be an unique and practical way of solving an important agricultural problem.

Under the terms of an agreement between the Oakdale and South San Joaquin Irrigation Districts on the one hand and the Pacific Gas and Electric Company on the other, the irrigation districts have built an arched type, reinforced concrete dam 185 feet high, with a crest of 590 feet. This dam forms a reservoir which has a capacity of 112,500 acre feet and involves an expenditure of $2,200,000.00, for which amount bonds were voted.

The Power Company has built a concrete lined horse-shoe shaped tunnel 14 feet in diameter and 4,400 feet in length, which extends from the dam outlet to a power house equipped with two 18,000 horse-power generators erected at a cost of $2,500-000.00.

The Power Company pays the Irrigation Districts for the water passing thru the power house at a rate sufficient to pay off the bonded indebtedness and interest in forty years, thus providing water for irrigation without cost to the agriculturists.

The water , after leaving the power house, passes down the Stanislaus River to the Goodwin Dam owned by the Irrigation districts. At that point the water in diverted into the ditches and flumes owned by each of the districts, as needed by them.

Location of Dam

The Melones Dam is located on the Stanislaus River about 12 miles below the famous mining town of Melones and eight miles west of Jamestown. The site picked for the structure is at the upper end of a narrow canyon. The powerhouse is erected at a point one mile down stream from the canyon, the walls of which are 500 to 600 feet high. From the end of the tunnel the water passes thru steel penstocks and drops to the water wheels in the plant.

Power House of Modern Type

The powerhouse is a steel frame building with concrete floors, walls and roof. It is 11 feet long, 66 feet wide and 52 feet high, equal in height to a four story building. In this structure are housed two massive generators, each having a capacity of 18,000 horsepower. Energy generated at the plant will be sent out over wires on a steel tower line to Manteca, where it will enter the interconnected transmission system of the Pacific Gas and Electric Company.

HEARS "LINDY" WELCOMED HOME

One of the best examples of the wonders of radio was experienced by Tom Sullivan of Niles, last Saturday morning when the great reception for Col. Charles Lindbergh was going on in Washington, D. C.

Mr. Sullivan, who has one of the best radios in California, was able to hear President Coolidge as well as Lindbergh, perfectly plainly. The words came in about as strong as an ordinary conversation, without any static, and were heard without ear phones. This remarkable demonstration of radio transmission of the human voice for almost 4,000 miles sets a new mark it is believed for Niles.

GIRLS HAVE CHANCE TO GET FREE FARE TO CAMPFIRE SUMMER CAMP

Girls, how would you like to go camping and have your railroad fare paid by the Tolahia Campfire group. There's a chance for several and you can find out particulars by telephoning Mrs. J. E. Townsend, telephone No. 153, guardian of the Tolahia girls, or better yet by attending the meeting to be held at her house Friday afternoon at 2 o'clock at which time final arrangements will be made.

Blanks from the headquarters at Camp Mikalo, above Stockton, have arrived and the girls who intend to go will have to have their doctors fill out certificates and give other evidence of their good standing.

Any girls over 11 years old who wish to make this trip as guests of Tolahia group must give references. It is posible that Mrs. Townsend, herself, will go.

There is enough money in the treasury to pay the railroad fare of those who attend the camp and the two weeks' entire expenses will amount to $20.

CENTERVILLE GRAMMAR SCHOOL GIVES OPERETTA

"Bits of Blarney," an operetta featuring Irish humor, was given as part of the comencement program of the grammar school, was given Tuesday night in the auditorium of the Washington high school. The operetta, which was given over the radio recently, was greatly enjoyed by a good crowd. Oliver Gordy, Vernon Darland, William Clark, Olive Silva, Aurora Borges, Elsie Silva and Helen Correa, had leading parts.

IN NILES

Mr. and Mrs. C. E. Salz of Centerville, Mrs. H. Earle, of Oakland and Mrs. Flint of Sacramento were visitors in Niles at the Belvoir hotel this week.

KARNIVAL KEEN

True to the prediction of the posters announcing the Kommunity Karnival as "Keen" that event was indeed a genuine success. The Karnival was held last Friday in the social rooms of the Congregational church and everything went off practically as planned and advertised. That a good crowd was present and enjoyed the entertainment is evidenced by the proceeds of nearly $60.00. Considering that each item, except lunches, were only a few cents each, the proceeds indicate how fully each person participated in the many attractive offerings. Outstanding attractions for the evening were first, the booth conducted by Mr. Leon Amyx containing a very large selections of cartoons and original drawings by Mr. Amyx. Praise of the talent and ability shown there was heard on every hand.

The Kangaroo Kourt, over which Mr. J. E. Townsend presided, caused no end of merriment. The comedy dialogue by the Amyx brothers and the orchestra also received generous rounds of applause as did the stunts planned by Miss Betty Houghton. But there were so many good things and so universally did all the young people do their parts that it is impossible to mention all. Suffice it to say that the Karnival was a fine success and that should it be repeated another year it will be even more largely attended than this year.

The Last Day

Western Hemisphere
Eastern
WE WILL NOW BE FAVORED WITH A RECITATION ENTITLED THE VILLAGE BLACK SMITH RENDERED BY ALAN RAPHAEL
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WITH TOWNSHIP WOMEN

(By GLADYS WILLIAMSON.)
(Telephone Niles 83)

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

June 16—Union high school commencement, Centerville.

June 17—Niles commencement, at Niles.

June 18—Newark commencement, at Newark.

June 21—Afternoon bridge party—St. James Guild, Centerville.

June 17—Campfire girls with Mrs. Townsend, 2 p. m.

June 21—Silver tea by Valle Vista P. T. A.

September 15—P. T. A. Federation at Sunol.

ST. JAMES GUILD TO GIVE AFTERNOON PARTY

Nxt Tuesday afternoon at Memorial Hall in Centerville, the St. James Ladies Guild will give a bridge party. Past events of this nature given by the organization have proved enjoyable affairs and a capacity attendance is being expected.

Due to the fact that only a limited number can be accommodated at tables it is suggested that reserverations be made early to insure participation in the game. Tickets can be secured from the committee in charge, comprised of Mrs. T. E. Chadbourne, Mrs. J. Mowry, Mrs. Fitzgerald, Mrs. G Mathiesen of Centerville or Mrs Wyatt and Mrs. R. Adams of Newark.

CLOSING MEETING OF P T. A. JOYFUL OCCASION

Parent-Teachers of Niles closed their year's work with a flourish—a regular love feast seeming to feature the meeting held at the grammar school Tuesday afternoon with the retiring president, Mrs. J. E. Townsend, in the chair.

Installation of the new officers by Mrs. Scilling of Berkeley, chairman of the rural district committee of the federation, was the main business of the day. All of the new officers were present to take the oath of service.

Mrs. Townsend presented the retiring officers and also the new ones with individual corsages of sweet peas as a token of her appreciation for cooperation given by the former and as felicitations of success for the latter.

Mrs. E. Plumb, new president, presented Mrs. Townsend with a box of candy.

Teachers of the school expressed their appreciation of the work of the association by serving ice cream and cake after the meeting. Tables were decorated especially for the occasion, this feature adding a delightful innovation for the closing meeting.

Mrs. J. W. Walters, president of the East Alameda District, was present and made a brief talk.

Mrs. E. A. Ellsworth, delegate to the recent meeting of the National Congress of Mothers and Parent Teachers Associations in Oakland, gave a short report She mentioned especially the address given in regard to music and the need for enlisting the interest of the boys. "Let the boys blow horns and they'll stand less chance of blowing safes later." It's all a mater of excess energy.

In installing the officers, Mrs. Scilling stressed the importance of the individual organizations' realizing that they were parts of the national organization, that each small rural P. T. A. was just as responsible for success of the national program as the larger clubs; that local officers should attend the federation meetings and thereby keep in touch with the national programs. She mentioned the various study classes members can take by correspondence and the printed material that could be secured in regard to the needs of the adolescent age, the teaching of sex matters, etc.

She also stressed the importance of educating the timid members and bringing forward into active work those who usually did not take part, bringing out the truth that those who worked most benefitted most from the organization.

Mrs. Walters brought news of Mrs. Jund, formerly of Niles, now vice-president of the Valle Vista Association, who won the $25 prize offered by the federation.

COUNTRY CLUB FUNDS WILL SUPPORT BED FOR 18 MONTHS

Due to the efforts of Mrs. Frank Dusterberry and her committee on the Del Valle Preventorium bed fund, the Country Club of Washington Township now has on hand sufficient funds to maintain a bed at the preventorium for 18 months, about 50 organizations throughout the townshi phaving contributed to this fund.

We are hoping that Mrs. Dusterberry will write us a resume of this campaign for it has been more than successful. When the movement was begun it was hoped that enough money could be secured to maintain a bed for 12 months and so generous was the response that an additional six months has been added to the term of service. We should like to know the names of those organizations who assisted in this splendid work.

Miss Shinnick, county nurse, states that a child will be sent to the preventorium right away, the eighteen months' term beginning as soon as the child arrives.

Mrs. Dusterberry gave her final report at the meeting held at the clubhouse recently as stated in The Register, this being the closing business meeting for the club this season. No other activities of the organization will occur until the annual luncheon in September. We are expecting to have a resume of the year's work in an early issue.

MRS. ABEL FISHER STILL IN SAN JOSE HOSPITAL

Mrs. Abel Fisher of Butler, Pa., who was injured recently in an auto mobile acident, is still in a San Jose hospital, but her condition is as favorable as could be expected, it is reported. Mrs. Fisher has been visiting the Robert Fishers of Niles, having come from the east for the golden wedding of her husband's parents.

COUNTRY CLUB COMEDY SCORES BIG SUCCESS

Mrs. H. F. Chadbourne of Centerville, chairman of the dramatics section of the ountry Club of Washington Township, and other members of the cast who presented the three-act comedy, "Getting Sandy," to an enthusiastic audience at the Leal Theater in Irvington Monday night, are to be congratulated upon the success of the performance both from a standpoint of dramatic effort and financial returns.

Mrs. G. W. Hatch, director, is also due credit for her training of parti-

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CANYON ROAD CHOSEN IN DUST EXPERIMENT

EDITORS ENTERTAINED BY PACIFIC GAS & ELECTRIC

Geo. A. McArthur and S. F. Collins of The Township Register, were among the 200 newspaper men from all parts of the state who enjoyed a three-day trip to Melones Dam and other points in Calavaras, Touloume, San Joaquin and Sonora counties last week-end.

They went as guests of the Pacific Gas and Electric Company, it being an annual affair given by the power company to newspaper men, and was thoroughly enjoyed by all.

Mr. McArthur and Mr. Collins left here with L. B. Smith, Superintendent of Overhead Wires for the company as their guide and host—and a most interesting and capable one he proved to be. Leaving here the party, which included Mr. D. Sanford, of San Leandro, formerly of Niles, drove to Stockton, via Livermore and Manteca, and spent the night at the Stockton Hotel, Stockton. Here they found hundreds of newspaper men from all parts of the state. Next morning the caravan—about eighty automobiles strong—drove down the San Joaquin valley to Oakdale and up the Stanislaus river to the big dam, which is elsewhere described in this paper. This dam—the Melones dam—was put in by the farmers of the valley and the power company cooperating—the farmers getting the water for irrigation and the power company the use of it for generating electricity.

By this plan both parties get what they want without hurting the other party to the contract. While it is the first instance in the United States where this plan has been put into practice, no doubt it will be adopted in the future by many other districts and companies. Credit for putting the plan into effect is largely due to the diplomacy and fairness of Frank A. Leach, Vice-President and General Manager of the Pacific Gas and Electric Company. For this Mr. Leach has won the affection and admiration of the farmers—who have long needed an impounding dam, but who have not been financially able to build one. Mr. Leach used to be a newspaper man himself, so he has always been considered one of the "family" but his accomplishments in putting over the Melones Dam, has won for him a new place in the hearts of newspaper friends.

After the dam was inspected by the editors, one of their number,—Miss Hazel McFarland, pressed the button that set the big power plant in operation.

The second night was spent at the Stanislaus power plant—which is one of the largest and oldest in California, and the next day the power company took their guests for a tour of the mountain counties. Mark Twain's cabin, Poker Flat—made memorable by his stories—and Bret Harte's section were visited. In Jamestown and Sonora—both mining towns in '49, the iron shutters that were used then to protect all stores and saloons from robberies, were seen. Many interesting facts in connection with the historical and romantic history of the sections visited were brought out by the company men, who all seemed—from General Manager Leach down—to feel a personal interest in making their guests feel at home and comfortable.

These annual trips given the newspaper men of the state are looked forward to with keen anticipation of pleasure, and this was one of the most enjoyable excursions of them all.

The Reverend Mr. Moore will occupy the pulpit of the Niles Congregational church next Sunday morning. Mr. Moore is a native of Korea, his parents having been American missionaries there when Mr. Moore was born. Mr. Moore has done a great deal of public speaking and will no doubt bring an interesting and profitable message to the attendants at the Niles church next Sunday. The service will not be a missionary service but regular in every way except that Mr. Moore will deliver the sermon. All Protestants are invited.

FROM GILROY

Mr. Frank Shea of Gilroy and his mother-in-law, Mrs. Evans, visiting from Honolulu, had lunch with Mrs. Emilie Chittenden at the Belvoir hotel in Niles Tuesday.

While plans and specifications are being prepared for paving Niles Canyon, the county will use the road as a proving ground for the test of a new type of highway treatment which may solve the dust problem until it can be iliminated by paving, according to Supervisor Ralph Richmond.

The macadam surface of the road will be swept clean of dust and loose gravel and treated with a hot heavy oil. This will be allowed to set for 48 hours to penetrate and ten covered with gravel screenings. The treatment, Richmond said, will not be applied to the entire road at this time. It will probably start at the Niles end of the road and extend up the canyon for one mile.

If the treatment proves satisfactory in the test, Richmond indicated that other macadamized roads in Alameda county will be treated in the same manner, as it is claimed that the cost would be less than what is now being spent to scrape and sprinkle some of the roads.

DIED

Frances Brown, June 12, 1927, at Oakland, California, age 78. The immediate survivors are Mrs. Amelia Silva, Mrs. Mary Peacock, Mrs. Marion Enos, Mrs. Francis Perry, Mr. Jos. Brown, Mr. Emanuel Brown, Mr. Frank Brown, all of Oakland, Calif., and Mrs. Theresa Oliver of Niles, Calif. The funeral ceremonies were held at Cooper's Undertaking parlors, June 15. Interment at Mountain View cemetery.

WILL INSIST ON A WIDE ROAD

Alameda county will not be satisfied with the recent decision of the Superior court which ruled that the Southern Pacific owned the land in Niles Canyon but the county was entitled to a highway through it unless the railroad sees fit to deed sufficient land to the county to permit widening of the road and elimination of dangerous curves, Supervisor Ralph Richmond indicated in an interview Thursday.

The county engineer has been instructed to prepare plans and specifications for paving the canyon road but his plans will not call for a road following the present right-of-way throughout the canyon. When the plans are completed, they will be laid before Southern Pacific officials with the reqeust that additional land to permit the construction of a safe highway be granted. If the request is refused, Richmond indicated that the county will renew its fight for the right-of-way the board of supervisors contend it is entitled to.

WILL REPRESENT C. E.

Mr. Dick Amyx was chosen, in close competition with his brother Leon, for the honor of representing the Christian Endeavor of Niles Congregational Church at the State Convention June 22nd to 29th. The choice was a wise one as Dick has been an indefatigable worker in the C. E. throughout the year. As chairman of the Booths committee for the recent carnival he creditabiy discharged large responsibilities. He also represented the local society in the Oratorical contest which he lost by only one vote. His competitor has been chosen to represent the district in the State contest. Mr. Amyx will probably leave for Los Angeles on the steamer sailing next Tuesday. When he returns he will give an extensive report to the Triangle C. E. and also to local church attendants, on all that takes place during five wonderful days at the Santa Anna State C. E. Convention.

CHILDREN CONDUCT SERVICE

Last Sunday attendants of the Congregational church had the unusual pleasure of attending a church service conducted entirely by children of the church school. The only part the minister had was the telling of a story, a closing prayer and benediction. The occasion was a Children's Day service entitled "The Friend of Other Children." The service was very well attended and many stopped at the door to express their appreciation and to thank those in charge for sponsoring this event.

High Wages, Dependent on High Average Production, Secret of Prosperity

By H. H. RICE, Detroit Manufacturer.

HIGH WAGES are the result, rather than the cause, of prosperity in this country. The theory that high wages cause prosperity is putting the cart before the horse. Neither do shorter hours, Henry Ford's theory, have anything to do with prosperity, unless unit production warrants the shortened working period.

Prosperity is the result of high average production per man, however that high production may be achieved. So that the order is: First, high production; second, prosperity and high wages. Though it may be admitted that high wages mean greater purchasing power, that merely is saying in another way that high wages indicate a prosperity that can only exist with high production.

Prosperity in this country is due to efficient large-scale production with accompanying low manufacturing costs. Without large production there can be no general prosperity.

So the way to increased wages in a larger sense can only be reached through increased production which is in turn dependent upon a larger market through lower prices to the public.

We cannot have our cake and eat it too. Wages cannot be higher without a corresponding increase in production from which only can wages get their return.

Progress of Humanity Brought About by Inspiring Influence of Women

By JAMES J. DAVIS, Secretary of Labor.

All that I am in life, all that I have been able to accomplish, I owe to my mother.

The best in any man is what he derived from his mother, and the greater the man the more indebted to his mother he is always found to have been.

Humanity is slowly making progress, and this progress, I believe, is brought about by the inspiring influence of woman. She has lifted us from the lowlands to the heights, and on those heights marked the milestones of our progress by her love and devotion.

There are pessimistic voices which profess agreement with everything that has been said in behalf of the motherhood of the past, but are skeptical of the young women of today. I find that the old folks have always been a little skeptical of the younger generation, but they forget their elders, in turn, were quite skeptical of them. All ages are pretty much alike, and I know of nothing particularly wrong with the girls of today. Some of them are doubtless quite frivolous, but we do not need to worry over them as a class. Most of them will give a good account of themselves when they shall have taken up their places amongst the matrons.

Bankers Wrong in Making Loans to Nations for Military Preparations

By HERBERT HOOVER, Secretary of Commerce.

Nations should decline to lend money for purposes of military preparation. Money should be loaned only where some productive result would be gained by the recipient nation.

No nation should itself borrow or should permit its citizens to borrow money from foreign countries unless this money is to be devoted to productive enterprises.

Out of the wealth and the higher standards of living created from enterprise itself must come the ability to repay the capital, together with the net gain to the borrowing country. Any other course of action creates obligations impossible of repayment except by a direct subtraction from the standards of living of the borrowing country and the impoverishment of its people.

In fact if this principle could be adopted between nations of the world, that is, if nations would refuse to allow the lending of money for the balancing of budgets for military or war purposes, or even that type of public works which does not bring some direct or indirect productive return, a great number of blessings would follow to the entire world.

Acute Need of Universities Is Renaissance of Great Teaching

By GLENN FRANK, President Wisconsin University.

American universities stand in acute need of a renaissance of great teaching. Let the demagogues of narrow minds continue to be disturbed, free discussion should continue to be free among college students. Nor let the undergraduate be a laboratory guinea pig for inexpert experts in mental hygiene and personnel work.

Great teaching is needed first of all. A new technique—perhaps to come slowly from mental hygiene work—must be developed in the art of leading and instructing mentally, morally, and emotionally. Research, overemphasized, needs revaluation.

Student suicides, an especially disconcerting phase of a universally increasing suicide rate, represent the breakdown of individual.

No one thing in American universities accounts for student suicides. The religious demagogue who parades the broken hearts of bereaved ones in support of his own single track theory should be denounced.

Americans Must Unite to Discourage Tendencies Harmful to Nation

By WILLIAM LIBBEY, Princeton Banker.

Eternal vigilance is necessary to protect "the spirit of '76" and of the framers of the Constitution against current tendencies.

We must combat all efforts to subvert our Constitution. Many "new" schemes to change the government were old when the framers of the Constitution were at their task and were studied and rejected by them.

They were answered then and were saved by Washington, Jefferson, and Franklin. We must remember this is still George Washington's country. If we would keep it so we must discourage traitors.

There are 1,000 newspapers in the country with anarchistic leanings, and patriotic citizens must guard against them and also against misinterpretations of the American Revolution in history textbooks. A committee of the Sons of the Revolution has been appointed to discuss a scrutiny of textbooks with the National Historical society.

THE FIRST MRS. BUNDY

(© by D. J. Walsh.)

WHEN little John Bundy (everyone called him that) married a second time it was agreed that he did the right thing. Eight children are a burden on any man, even if he be manager of a small but prosperous rural bank, and when an automobile had removed his eminently efficient wife from her earthly usefulness his choice of the science teacher of the high school was deemed wise and good.

Mr. Bundy was banker by design and vocation. His mind turned to figures as a plant toward the sun. His children resembled nothing so much as a stout column of figures. Mrs. Bundy II ("her that was Stacia Larcombe of the high," as the farmers' wives called her) fitted admirably to the businesslike scheme. She looked precise. She was reported to have made wise investments. Her hair was smoothly parted. Her hands were broad tipped, eminently practical.

The Bundy "residence" was a model. It fronted Main street. Its yard was smooth as to grass and mathematical as to floral variety. One regulated one's watch by the appearance of John Bundy in his shiny closed car returning from the bank each afternoon.

It was therefore in the nature of an earthquake when he was seen to enter the door of the house of the only medical man in the village, who was known to have a predilection for psychical research.

Mr. Bundy was not sick. He was merely thoroughly frightened. When the merry-eyed man of pills greeted him he stroked his smooth-shaven, plump cheek and—stammered.

Now, it is not to the discredit of the man of medicine if he thought for the moment the sedate little banker had been celebrating. John Bundy had never heretofore been known to stammer.

"James Jones," he said at length, "I believe I should have gone first to the police."

"Glad to see you, John. Always glad to see you. You and the children and your good wife, too, certainly look fine. They're a credit to the air of Lumpville, and though they don't help to make me a heavy depositor they're a pleasure to see. Billy goes to college this fall, eh? A promising half-back, unless I'm much mistaken."

"Favors his poor mother!" sighed the banker, and rubbed his bald spot as he started violently.

"There it is again!" he exclaimed.

"Come, come, John," said the doctor, "what's the trouble? Been working too hard, eh?"

"I don't know what the trouble is—and that's the trouble!"

"Let's see if we can't clear it up," and the doctor ceased to play with his paperweight.

"Well, James, it's like this: Let's see. Oh, yes. Well, it was the day that prominent American citizens came home. They'd begged me for a brief sketch of my civic work and my dear Stacia wrote a few words for me, and that night my dear Stacia and I were aroused from our rest by a crash that sounded as if all the china in the kitchen were broken. On going down to see I found our Haviland wedding service smashed to atoms on the floor. My dear Stacia (here he again rubbed his head) is most careful. She is certain the china was locked in the closet. I would trust my Stacia as I would old Jenkins, who locks the vaults of the bank. Unlike my poor Bertha, she never overlooks a thing. "Ouch!" He jumped up and nearly bounced onto the doctor's lap.

"Poor old John," thought that worthy, "just the season Larsen makes cherry brandy, and Lord knows what's in it." Aloud, he said: "Sit down, John, there's a good fellow, and let me take your pulse. Nothing wrong there. Feeling pretty good, ain't you?" He had to feel his way with caution, for Bundy was a church warden, a prohibitionist, and could take away patronage to the city physician any moment he chose.

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"To resume my story, absurd as it may seem, my conversation with my wife and friends is frequently interrupted by what seems to be a violent blow on my head. I—"

"Any headache?"

"No, sir. Why, I've never had a headache in my life. I play golf Saturdays, walk to work, and only drive home afternoons because my oldest girl insists it looks well."

"Now, John, I'm an old friend. You and I have fished and done a heap of things together in the old days. I want to help you. I don't altogether hold with this speculation game myself—be frank."

The little banker drew himself up. "I give you my word of honor I have not been in a deal these ten years."

The words had scarcely left his lips when he fairly skipped around the room, his hand to his bald spot, as if a more than commonly businesslike wallop had hit his denuded cranium.

"Look out!" shouted the doctor. "You're knocking over my books! You look as if you had stopped a left-hander from Tunney."

"Am I going insane?" called the banker. "These blows—"

"Tell me one thing: Does Mrs. Bundy complain?"

"Well, yes. You know my dear Stacia never uses face powder, but she had a bottle of cold cream she uses occasionally when we go on long rides in the car. Some one had poured ink in the cream and my dear Stacia ruined one of her best pillows and appeared at breakfast slightly stained."

"Anything else?"

"You will think me insane."

"Queer things happen, and maybe you're in the hands of a clever practical joker."

"Last Sunday my wife was carving the chicken and had reserved some small pieces of white meat for herself. They were whisked off her plate and vanished. Yes, sir."

The doctor considered. "Was your wife fond of chicken?"

"My poor wife was excessively fond of the pleasures of the table."

Here the whole row of books fell down, knocking the doctor off his chair, while poor Bundy seemed to receive a more than customarily severe punishment. The doctor sat on the floor, undignified indeed, but smirking. To himself that scientist said: "I could swear a fat woman's arms went around my neck. And didn't that enormous woman drench herself in September dreams?"

Hastily brushing off his trousers, the doctor left the room to search for a volume bearing on what he believed to be a solution of this problem.

"Ever hear of poltergeists?" he asked, casually.

"No, never. These poltergeists, would they grow in this climate?" John liked to have the latest in his yard.

"Not that kind," said the diplomatic doctor. "I mean the—er—the unrestful spirit, ghost, if you will, that plays pranks on the living and has to be exorcised. Men of science are agreed that such phenomena are possible, many of them, that is."

"Absurd, James, absurd. I thought you were a sane, clever man. I did not come to be made fun of!"

"Well, you say you and Mrs. Bundy are both disturbed. Have the children suffered any?"

"Poor Billy complained he saw his mother the other night and she said my dear Stacia should be in the pen for false statements. Now, the kids all like their stepmother and we agreed it was a nightmare after too much supper. They all eat well."

The doctor shook his head. "Don't you worry. I'm going to invite myself for tonight to see your home and we'll see."

At dinner were Bernice, Billy, Bertrand, Bertha, Belinda, Bettina, Barnet and Burton (it was a whim of the late Mrs. Bundy to give all her own initial. "Besides, each one is a better baby," she had declared). Stacia did not like unexpected visitors. She was cordial because she realized only some unforeseen calamity could induce her husband to violate precedent in this matter of an overnight guest.

When told the occasion demanded the presence of a doctor she at once professed her willingness to assist.

"We will keep our vigil in the den," she declared. "There are only a few reference books there and they cannot hurt anyone."

The family was retired at eleven. The three injured friends took their seats in a small room and talked of how careless some people were with their children when cars passed and how glad they were so different. Then a sleepy content stole over the doctor and he remarked that soon the trout would rise.

Suddenly Mrs. Bundy let out a thin yell. "Some one is shaking me by the hair," she said, and, to the utter amazement of her husband and the doctor, she jumped up—but her hair, the only long plait left in Lumpville, sailed through the air and began to circle the ceiling, while all the books fell with a crash to the floor.

Doctor Jones saw his name in the papers as an assistant at a veritable seance. The future was bright. John, annoyed beyond measure at this expose of his wife's artifice, began to pick up the books, among others the gorgeous gold and green "Prominent Citizens," which accidentally fell open at his own name.

Pride overmastered all else. Unheeding the circling transformation which had by this time gently descended to earth, he read: "Bundy, John, born Lumpville, 1872, son of Marcus Elias and Mary Jane (Perkins) B. Ed. pub. schools. Married Bertha Burton of Slamport 1893 (died 1925). Married 2d, Anastacia Larcombe of Lumpville. Children: Bernice, Billy, Bertrand, Bertha, Belinda, Bettina, Barnet, Burton—" He got no further, for the doctor, looking over his shoulder, shouted: "I've got it You got 'em mixed. The darn book is crediting her children to your second wife!"

For the second time that day the medical man was distinctly aware of a whiff of midsummer dreams.

Mateless Doe Kills Self

A doe strangled herself in the hollow of a tree in Porter township near Lackawanna, Pa. An old timer declared the doe was denied a mate by act of the state legislature and just didn't find life worth living. For years Pennsylvania has had an open season on bucks with the result that many does go without mates and are consequently barren. The buck or male deer is a polygamist, but a polygamist with reservations. He does limit the number in his harem. The offspring from thrifty does and immature bucks are weaklings and often never stand on their feet. Whether the old timer is right or wrong, the fact remains that the deer did strangle herself by poking her head in a hollow tree trunk

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Mother-in-Law—But surely you don't allow him to kiss his stenographer!

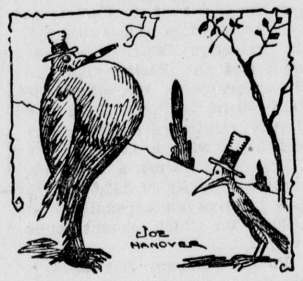
Wife—Why not, mamma? It's a man. —American Humor.

More Swag

"Martha," a farmer who had driven into town phoned to his wife, "an automobile load of robbers just held up the city bank and they're headed out our way. Don't go outdoors."

"I'll have to," was the frantic reply. "Your Sunday shirt's hanging out on the line in plain sight."—Country Gentleman.

THE POUTER PIGEON



"You must be a millionaire or something the way you're all puffed up."

"No, I was born this way!"

Slinging Mud

My dad used to say:
"When people sling mud of shame or blame
Let it dry for a little while
And then it will brush off clean."

A Future Highbrow

He was a solemn little boy and his chin barely reached the counter in the library's circulation room.

"Well, my little man," said one of the attendants, "what book shall it be today?"

"Oh, something about life," returned the little fellow philosophically.—Boston Transcript.

Admits of No Rivalry

"I don't know whether to marry Robert or not."

"Does he play golf?"

"I should say he does. He's an expert at it."

"Then I shouldn't marry him; he has selected his life interest."

His Impression

Policeman—What did the bandit's weapon look like?

Victim—It looked like a hole about six inches in diameter.

NOT A CROWD

"You said you had room for one more didn't you?"

"Yes, lady, but only one more."

Day Lost

Count that day lost whose low
Descending sun
Finds not some greyhound
Race course begun.

Such a Sweet Girl

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"Well," asked the Social Wet Blanket, "why did you change your mind?"

Leisure

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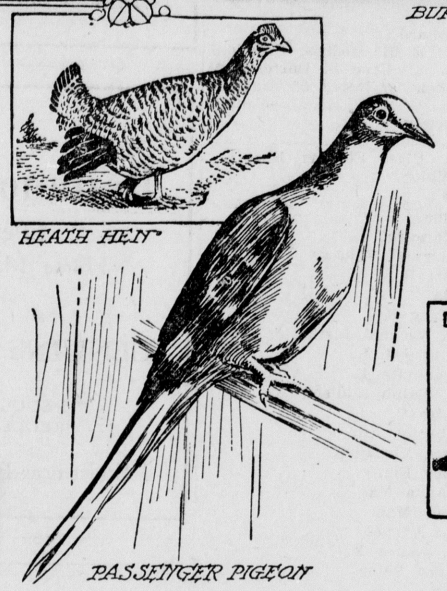

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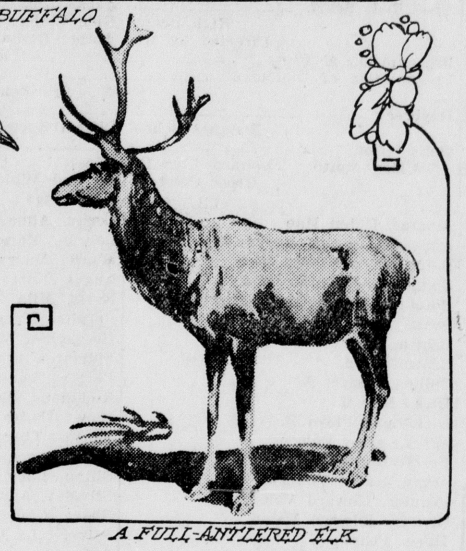


A FULL-ANTLERED ELK

By ELMO SCOTT WATSON

ANOTHER native American has almost reached the end of the trail.

From Martha's Vineyard off the coast of Massachusetts comes word that the heath hen is facing the extinction that a few years ago overtook another American bird, the passenger pigeon. Despite all the efforts that have been made to preserve the rapidly decreasing numbers of this species of grouse (for the conservation of which more than $60,000 already has been spent), the heath hen seems to be doomed. Martha's Vineyard is the only place in the world where it can be found and it is believed that there are now only about twenty specimens of the bird left on the island, a decrease of fifteen from last year.

The story of the heath hen is a tragic but by no means an unusual one in a country which has become notorious for its prodigality in wasting its natural resources. In many respects it is similar to the story of the passenger pigeon whose numbers were at one time so countless that no one believed that they could ever be entirely killed off. So an appalling slaughter of the birds went on for years until a passenger pigeon became a rarity and before sportsmen and bird lovers realized it, it was too late to save the species from extinction. The last survivor died in the Cincinnati Zoological gardens in 1914. These birds, once so numerous that within the memory of thousands of persons now living their flight literally "darkened the sky," were wiped out of existence in a little more than two decades!

A hundred and fifty years ago the heath hen was one of the principal game birds of New England and the middle Atlantic states. It was distributed from Cape Ann to Virginia and it was especially abundant in the lowlands of Massachusetts, Connecticut and Long island. When the early settlers began to cut off the forests the decline of the heath hen started. Its straight unswerving flight made it an easy target for the hunter in the open, and it was shot and trapped at all seasons. The spread of civilization and the increasing number of cats and dogs which killed its young further decimated the heath hen until it was practically extinct on the mainland and the few left were on Martha's Vineyard. Apparently no measures were taken for its protection until this time, but on account of the scarcity of predatory animals on the island, the strict fire patrol and the legislative measures which were finally taken to save the birds, the heath hen seemed to have a good chance to increase in numbers.

Such has not been the case, however. Twenty years ago there were about fifteen hundred birds on the island. By 1924 that number had shrunk to less than fifty. Last year the census taken by Prof. Alfred Gross of Bowdoin college, one of the foremost ornithologists in the country, showed that there were only thirty-five left, and now bird lovers of New England are alarmed to learn that this pitiful remnant apparently has been still further reduced in spite of all the efforts that have been made to save them.

The heath hen closely resembles the western prairie chicken. It is a light reddish brown above, barred with black and buff. At the sides of the neck there are tufts of black feathers, on each side is an orange-colored sac and over each eye is a small orange-colored comb. Like the prairie chicken it has the curious habit of "booming" early in the spring each year. This call is said to be similar to the whistle of a distant tugboat in a fog. It heralds the mating season and is a preliminary to and a part of what has been described as "the strangest sight ever seen in the woods"—the dance of the heath hens.

At daybreak the heath hens meet on certain dancing grounds, which they have apparently picked out in advance, and there they go through a series of antics which are as curious for human beings to watch as no doubt a charleston contest would be for the heath hen to watch. The birds run, jump, bow, toot and cackle in their unique pastime. Their short tails are cocked forward over their backs, the black neck feathers stand out stiffly at different angles until at last they point directly forward over the crested heads like the ears of a jack-rabbit. Their breasts are puffed up and the air sacs are distended until the bird looks almost twice his natural size. They prance backward and forward, flapping their wings, and from their throats come a series of squeals, cackles, clucks, chuckles and laughing sounds. Often, two birds will run toward each other until they are almost beak to beak. Then they remain motionless for several minutes. Sometimes they fight, but for the most part, their time is spent in tooting and dancing. The morning dance usually lasts until the sun is high in the sky and then the birds scuttle back into the recesses of the 5,000 acres of scrub oak in the center of the island which they frequent. Sometimes they come out to repeat their dance again just after sunset.

If the efforts to save the heath hen are unsuccessful it will be a tragic recurrence of the fate which overtook the passenger pigeon, although the ruthless slaughter of these birds is a more shameful record to be laid at the door of Americans than will be their failure to save the heath hen. The destruction of the pigeons began within forty years after the first settlers came to New England, and for the next two hundred years the killing continued. Finally, in 1878 the birds, having been driven by persecution from many states, concentrated in a few localities in Michigan, and it was during the next two decades that the wholesale slaughter which wiped them out of existence took place. The last important nesting place of the passenger pigeon was near Petoskey, in Emmet county, Michigan. There, in 1881, an army of five thousand men gathered for civilization's attack on the defenceless birds which had come there to rear their young. The attack continued from March until August and during this period of twenty weeks it is estimated that one billion birds were killed and shipped from this and neighboring nesting places.

One morning America woke up to find that the passenger pigeon was virtually extinct. It became so rare that prizes were offered for the discovery of a single specimen. The last individual definitely recorded in a wild state was captured at Bar Harbor, Maine, in 1904. In various zoological gardens a few individuals were preserved. David Whittaker of Milwaukee, Wis., procured a pair of young birds from an Indian in that state in 1888, and during the next eight years these increased to fifteen. By 1908, however, only seven of this number had survived, and at last only one, a female, was left. This bird, known as "Martha," was sent to the Cincinnati zoo and there she became famous as the last of the race.

Since the death of "Martha" persons in various parts of the country have reported from time to time the discovery of passenger pigeons, but in every case it has turned out that the discoverer had seen some other member of the dove family which is easily confused with the passenger pigeon. And so despite the high rewards that are still standing for proof that the passenger pigeon is still in existence, a single authentic specimen is yet to be revealed. So the next time you see a newspaper story stating that one of these birds has been seen, just put it down that some amateur ornithologist has made another mistake. The passenger pigeon (Ectopistes migratorius) IS extinct.

Although the heath hen is the only bird which now seems definitely doomed to follow the passenger pigeon into the sunset, there are several other species which are in danger of extinction. One of these is a close relative of the heath hen, the prairie chicken. Only a few years ago the booming of these birds was still to be heard everywhere in the prairies of the Middle West and the eastern part of the Great Plains. In many places this sound is becoming rare, and even though the prairie chicken does not now seem to be in imminent danger of extinction certainly its numbers have been so greatly reduced that it can be called a Vanishing American.

Not only in the bird world, but in the animal world as well there are Vanishing Americans. There was a time when the buffalo was so numerous that, just as in the case of the passenger pigeon, Americans would have scoffed at the idea that this noble animal could ever be in danger of extinction. So long as the buffalo was killed only to supply the food needs of the Indian and the first white settlers on its ranges, there was no danger. Then the hide hunter came upon the scene. Again two decades saw another race of native Americans headed for oblivion. By the end of the eighties, the last wild herd of buffalo had been killed off and, of all the countless millions that once roamed the plains, only a few scattering herds in private game parks and public preserves were left. Fortunately public sentiment was aroused just in time and, due to the efforts of several conservation societies during the first part of the present century, the bison was saved. There are now enough of these animals in Canada and the United States to guarantee their preservation and in recent years they have actually increased to such an extent that there has been an overcrowding on the available space which mankind has grudgingly allotted to them.

The settling up of the last West and the increasing number of farms which replaced the open range of the cattle man's day have threatened the existence of two other species of animals—the wapiti or elk and the prong horn antelope. It must be said to the credit of Americans, however, who waited until it was almost too late before they set about to save the buffalo from annihilation, that they have taken a lesson from this experience and have taken the necessary steps to prevent the history of the elk and the prong-horn from being a repetition of that of the bison.

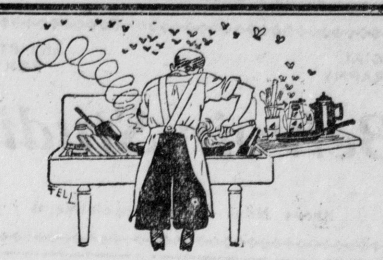
Perhaps it is not strictly accurate to include the buffalo, the elk and the antelope, the heath hen and the prairie chicken in the same category as the passenger pigeon, as has been done in this article. But the fact remains that they, like the Indian, are vanishing races. Of course, government authorities will tell you differently about the Indian and point to the fact that he is not only holding his own, but is actually increasing in numbers. That is true if you take into account the fact that many persons having more white blood than Indian in their veins are called Indians.

But in the truest sense of the word, the old-time Indian in all his former glory as a picturesque war-bonneted nomad and "first-class fightin' man" in the magnificent pageant of the American frontier is a Vanishing American. He belongs to the past, the past of the wilderness era, as do the buffalo, the elk, the antelope, the passenger pigeon, the heath hen and the prairie chicken. What if there still are enough individuals of each so that the conquering white man can point to them and say "See, they are not yet EXTINCT?" For they are following the Indian into the sunset, and James Fraser's "End of the Trail" is symbolical of them all. They ARE Vanishing Americans

The End of the Trail

Far to the west the vanished herds they followed
And came at last unto the journey's end;
Naught have they found save bones where bisons wallowed,
Naught now is theirs—nor food, nor fire, nor friend.

Pony and man alike completely weary,
Even the rainbow hope at last long fled;
Sadly they face a darkness cold and dreary,
Broken, they seek the company of the dead. —M. Beatrice Sumner.



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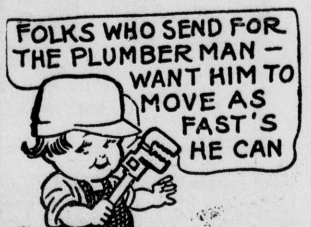

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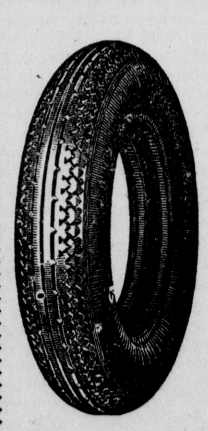

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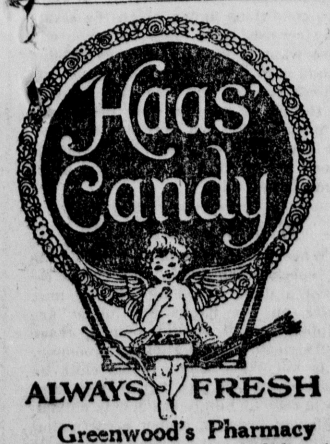

With Township Women

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cipants and the appreciation which members of the cast and club feel for her assistance in the production was given a material expression in a handsome floral offering presented at the performance Monday evening.

"This is the first three-act comedy the club has given in recent years and everyone seems to be delighted with its success," stated Mrs. E. B. Hodges, secretary.

In speaking briefly of the work of the dramatic section, Mrs. Chadbourne stated that this was the first year the men of the community had assisted the club and that their tireless efforts and cooperation were deeply appreciated.

Several vocal selections were given between acts by a group of high school boys, directed by Miss Barnard of the Washington Union High school, and accompanied by Miss Antoinette Cothello, senior of this year.

Piano selections given by Mrs. George Mathieson added much to the enjoyment of the evening.

Real dramatic ability was demonstrated by several of the cast. Mrs. August May in the part of the hard-hearted Martha Watkins, over-bearing sister of Sandy, an invalid old man of 51 years who just couldn't disguise the fact that he was still young and good looking, did perhaps the major part of the acting and did it splendidly, creating the impression of disagreeable personality to the extent that the audience howled appreciatively when she was hauled off the stage on a stretcher, a probable victim of smallpox.

Real comedy was in the acting of Mr. W. Wyatt, who took the part of Peter, henpecked husband of Martha, a good portion of the laughs resulting from his lines.

The difficult part of the play, the invalid bachelor longing for his long-lost sweetheart, was taken admirably by Mr. N. Turnbow who managed to make you feel really sorry for him, and when his faithful "Debby," played by Mrs. M. Munger, appeared in the old-fashioned dress he had loved long ago, she made as pretty a stage picture as could be wanted for any production .

Mrs. J. E. Townsend in the role of Nan, niece of Sandy, portrayed the sweet young girl wonderfully well. Flapper frocks and a saucy hairdress made quite a change in the usually dignified lady and the sympathy of the audience with her in her crusade against the scheming Aunt Martha to get Uncle Sandy well was clearly evident. She played her part to perfection, in the words of Sandy, "a sweet little girl."

Mr. Franklin Brown, who played opposite Mrs. Townsend, did splendidly, working up the big climax of the plot when by the power of suggestion he made the plotting Martha and Peter feel sure they were two-thirds dead from an imaginary case of smallpox. As the lover of the play he demonstrated that he still remembers how it should be done (or perhaps it was only Mrs. Hatch's coaching.)

Good comedy was also depicted in the roles of the deacon played by Mr. W. Robie, and Elviry, his wife, played by Mrs. H. F. Chadbourne. John Stokes, the clergyman, played by Mr. Virgil Cherry; Si Taylor, village expressman, played by Billy Wyatt and Mr. Newark Lax in the part of the marriage license clerk, executed the small parts they had creditably.

The action throughout was smooth, no halts or slow stage waits marring the effect of the whole.

We feel sure that the big success attained in this performance will lead to further endeavors in the field of dramatics and this department of the Country Club can do much not only for the development of its members but for the pleasure of the community as a whole.

MRS. CHITTENDEN BACK HOME FROM HONOLULU CELEBRATES BIRTHDAY

Mrs. Emilie Chittenden who returned last week from a visit of several weeks with friends in Honolulu, celebrated her birthday Thursday with a small informal dinner party planned as a surprise for her. Only a few relatives and friends were present, including Mr. and Mrs. G. A. Burchell of Niles, Mr. and Mrs. F. A Bishop of Centerville, Miss DeCora of Berkeley, Mrs. Velsoir of Niles and Mrs. R. C. Ingram and children of Gridley. Other granddaughters are expected in the near future and an additional birthday celebration will be held at that time.

Mrs. Chittenden has promised o write us something about her trip to Honolulu for next week, and we are looking forward to that with interest.

ATTRACTIVE PRIZES WON AT COUNTRY CLUB PARTY

Prize winners at the afternoon bridge tea given by the Country Club of Washington Township in honor of the new members and their sponsors last Friday afternoon were:

First prize, one half dozen tea napkins, Mrs. Clarence Salz, of Centerville.

Second, embroidered towel, Mrs. Frank Dusterberry, of Centerville.

Consolation, gardenia, Mrs. E. D. Bristow, of Niles.

Cut prize, filet doily, Mrs. D. J. McAdams, of Irvington.

All arrangements, including the serving of refreshments, were in the hands of the retiring board.

GUILD FOOD SALE NETS OVER THIRTY DOLLARS

More than $30 was cleared by the food sale held by the Ladies' Guild of the Niles Congregational church last week. Mrs. E. A. Ellsworth and Mrs. C. E. Martenstein were in charge.

LOCAL P. T. A. STANDS FIRST IN DISTRICT

East Alameda district of Parent-Teachers' Associations has the best standing of any of the districts and Niles and Tennyson associations are first in this district with regard to number of members and projects accomplished during the past year, according to reports made at the federation meeting held Wednesday afternoon in Hayward.

Mrs. J. E. Townsend, retiring president of the Niles Association and Mrs. G. Martin, attended the meeting.

Mrs. Hays of Burlingame, retiring president of the second district, or rather past president of what was formerly the second district, presided. Due to the action taken at the national congress held recently in Oakland, San Francisco and Marin county will now comprise the second district and Niles, Sunol, Tennyson, East Alameda county, Livermore and San Mateo will make up the new 16th district of which Mrs. Bollumor of Oakland will be president.

Mrs. Walters is president of the East Alameda district, three new associations, Niles, Sunol, Tennyson, having been organized during the past year.

Mrs. Hays was presented with a big box of cherries and a boquet of flowers at the meeting Wednesday.

All chairmen made their reports and the meeting as a whole was unusually interesting.

It was decided that regular meetings of the federation would be held on the 3rd Thursday of each month, every other meeting being held in Hayward and the alternating meetings in the various towns, beginning with Sunol in September.

SILVER TEA PLANNED BY THE VALLE VISTA P. T. A.

Next Tuesday afternoon at 2 o'clock a silver tea will be given at the Valle Vista school for the benefit of the Parent-Teachers Association, fifty per cent of the proceeds to go to the local association and fifty per cent. to go to the federation. All ladies of Niles who can posibly arrange to go are urged to do so as this cooperation is really needed by the Valle Vista association. Any who plan to go can confer with Mrs. J. E. Townsend, president of the Niles Parent-Teachers Association.

The afternoon will be spent playing cards and refreshments will be served.

NILES FAMILY VISITS MODESTO LAST WEEK

Mr. and Mrs. Roland Bendel and family of Niles spent last week-end in Modesto, where they were the guests of Mrs. Bendel's brother and sister-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Vernon Handley.

Mrs. R. C. Ingram, grand-daughter of Mrs. Emilie Chittenden of the Belvoir Hotel at Niles, is expected with her children from Gridley to make a visit of two weeks or more.

Mr. and Mrs. Fulton of Newark, have taken one of the Belvoir cottages for the summer.

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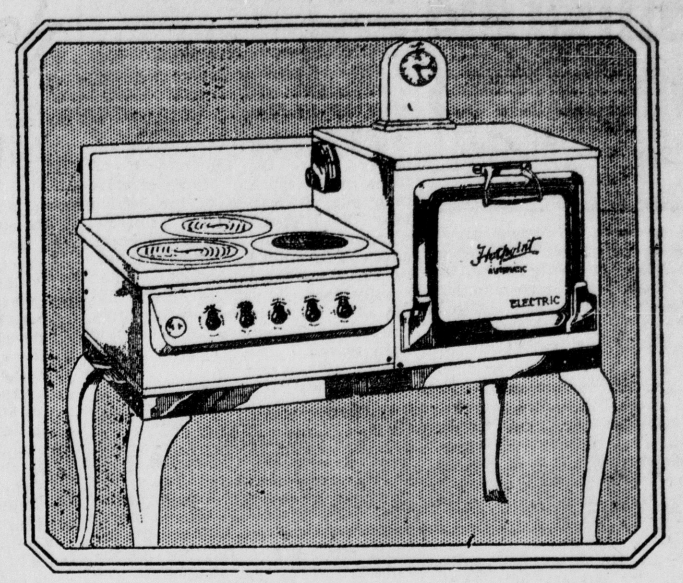

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California Ranch News

Truck crops in California are in nearly all cases behind the average, but with improved weather conditions there has been a noticeable appreciation in quality, according to a bulletin compiled by the California Co-operative Crop Reporting Service.

Inspection of cantaloupes is being rigidly enforced in Imperial Valley. Several hundred crates were thrown out at one shed recently, all brought in by one shipper. This is one way to insure good "cants" and good prices and the county says it "means business."

Slime and tip-burn have spread throughout the lettuce fields, reducing crops in Central California from 40 to 50 per cent. The Los Angeles and San Diego crops are about 80 to 90 per cent of the average. Planting of lettuce in Humboldt County has been retarted owing to continued rain.

Watermelon growers of the Brawley district met recently to agree upon a means of financing the inspection of watermelon shipments. County Horticultural Commissioner B. A. Harrigan presided. A dollar a car is to be charged against the growers for inspection. The shippers will deduct this amount from moneys paid the producer and will make weekly payments to the inspection account.

Due to a heavy attack of western blight, tomatoes are not as promising this year as they have been in the past, according to E. E. Welty, county horticultural commissioner. The acreage this year is not as large as last season because the canning varieties have not been so extensively planted, he reports. The crop this year is a few days later than last year, when first shipments were made May 20th.

Cooperating with the prevention of the spread of the puncture vine and the reduction of fire hazard, Tulare County supervisors have urged all farmers in their respective districts to burn all grass and weeds on their property bordering the highways. After this is done, the supervisors plan to burn along the roads. This, it is believed, will check the fire menace to grain and other fields of inflammable feeds and will aid in the puncture vine war.

A heavy peach crop will be produced in Antelope Valley, Tehama County, this year, although the production is not expected to meet last year's figures. The peach shipments are not expected to start before the early part of August, although last year shipments were in progress by July 18th. A few apricot orchards are coming into bearing in the Antelope section, and the apricot industry is expected to expand considerably within the next few years it is reported.

The peach growers of Sutter County are expectantly awaiting results of the regular meeting of the Peach Association held June 16th when it was expected, something would be done toward fixing the price to be paid for canning peaches for the ensuing year. The crop generally, while about 20 per cent less than last year, shows good as to quality with the fruit making splendid growth. The growers expect to receive at least as much as last season, which was around $40 a ton.

Apricots in the Redlands district are going to be of good quality this year, according to J. H. Porch and L. O. Yount, two of the largest growers in this section, who say that the outlook is for one of the best crops of several years. The fruit was but little damaged by the hail storm in the spring. There will be considerable thinning in order that a certain amount of the fruit will be of a size to be taken by the canneries. Most of the fruit grown in this section is dried.

The possibility that Superior California may some day be the silk-raising center of the world was seen in a letter received last week by the agricultural department of the Sacramento Chamber of Commerce from Mario A. Battistel of Milan, Italy. In response to his inquiries concerning the growing of mulberry trees and the cultivation of silk worms in Superior California, the chamber answered Battistel saying that mulberry trees are grown in Superior California and that the culture of silk worms is a commercial possibility.

Governor C. C. Young is lauded for his friendly attitude towards California agriculture, as exemplified in the signing of numerous bills aimed to benefit the farmers, in a statement issued by G. H. Hecke, director of the state department of agriculture. Among bills which the governor made laws of the state are several broadening the functions of the agricultural department, including one placing the Delhi and Durham land settlement projects under Hecke's jurisdiction.

Application of poisoned barley in quantities to fit in the year-round program of squirrel eradication in Tulare County has begun by the horticultural office, under the direction of Oscar Hemphill, deputy commissioner. About eighty tons of poisoned grain is mixed annually. A self-feeding hopper, which can be placed in rock piles and trees, places the barley before the squirrels at all times and effects the saving of more than one application to the section near the hopper. Young squirrels, without knowledge of poisoned grain, and who have not learned to hull barley and rid of the poison can be killed readily through poisoned grain, but the adult squirrels hesitate in eating poisoned grain, unless applied at the right season.

California's melon crop has been considerably delayed by cool weather during the latter part of May. E. F. Kauffman, federal state crop statistician, reports on the basis of information received from the melon districts. In the San Joaquin cantaloupe areas an average crop is anticipated, but the shipments will not begin much before July 10. In the Imperial valley cantaloupes of the best quality in years are being produced, but the shipments are below and later than those of last year. To date only 2,180 cars have been shipped against a total of 6,750 last season. The watermelon crop is not expected to begin moving much before July 4, and will not be heavy until a week later.

Experiments on Kings County alkali lands based upon the results obtained in redemption work along similar lines done on Kearney Farm near Fresno by the University of California College of Agriculture have been launched upon three different ranches in Kings County. The sulphur treatment is being used as it was in the Fresno experiments, which achieved such success as to command the attention of the agricultural world. Five plots have been set aside on the Kings County Farm, where six tons of sulphur are to be used in the series of experiments. Amounts varying from 1,000 to 3,000 pounds per acre are to be placed in the soil.

A survey of the fruit crop prospect has been completed in the Lodi district by E. A. Humphrey, manager of the Earl Fruit Company and a recognized authority on fruit. Humphrey estimates the table grape crop to be 75 per cent normal, or 15 per cent more than last year; wine grapes 85 to 90 per cent normal crop; peaches 60 per cent; plums very short; apricots 75 per cent, and promise to bring a fancy price on account of other apricot districts having a very short crop. Pears are dropping very badly just now, probably on account of unfavorable weather during the growing season.

Potato growth in San Fernando Valley is 80 per cent, while other sections of Los Angeles report a condition of 90 per cent of normal. In Kern and Tulare counties frosts and aphis have reduced the early potato crop by 60 per cent. Carlot movement from Kern is not anticipated before June 15. Onion growers in the Coachella Valley have experienced a profitable season, having already shipped a total of 1,550 cars, with 150 cars awaiting movement by rail or truck. Onion acreage in the San Joaquin delta is 4,200 as compared with 5,500 last year.

Harvesting is under way on some of the holdings of the largest land owners in the Tulare Lake basin with a combined harvester already at work and others to be added as the grain ripens. There are approximately 150,000 acres on wheat and barley on the lake basin and adjacent areas. The lake basin farmers are rushing work on harvesting to get the crop out of the way to forestall submergence in case of flood water reaching the lake from Kings River and other streams that empty into the lake basin.

A colloidal sulphur, the by-product of the manufacture of gas from oil, is available in commercial quantities this year for dusting of vines and trees, according to E. R. deOng, assistant entomologist in the Experi-California. Heretofo all the sulphur ment Station at the University of used for agricultural purposes has been imported; but this new product appears not only to be cheaper but because of its fineness, much better adapted for insecticide, fertilizer and alkali-neutralizing purposes.

Vines in Merced County are more thrifty and vigorous than they have ever been before, predicting success for grapes this year. All conditions have been favorable; weather, moisture and climatic conditions have been ideal for vineyardists. Despite the fact that the peach set is not as heavy as usual, practically no loss is expected since the peaches make up in size for what they lack in numbers. The smaller set is responsible for the increase in size, and the greater growth in turn will make up in measure for the scarcity of fruit.

The Napa County grape crop will be light this season, and in some varieties of juice grapes the yield will not exceed 50 per cent, and in others it will barely reach 75 per cent. This announcement was made at a meeting of the Napa County section of the California Grape Growers' Exchange. While the yield per vineyard is small it is thought that the crop of the entire state will be as large as it was a few years ago on account of the vast acreage of new vines that has come into bearing.

Horticultural News

ORCHARD SHOULD BE CULTIVATED

The dropping of fruit, both apples and peaches, is largely due to lack of water during the season when the fruit is rapidly increasing in size. An average peach tree, normally to mature its crop, will require in the neighborhood of 3,000 gallons of water in the growing season, according to J. R. Cooper, horticulturist, college of agriculture, University of Arkansas.

"An apple tree will require twice as much water, because of its larger size. To maintain a constant supply of water throughout June and the first part of July, it is necessary to hold the water that is now in the soil, by constant and thorough cultivation.

"Cultivation should continue up to the first of July and should be thorough enough to keep down all vegetation. It is impossible to produce a normal crop of fruit and support a crop of weeds or even a cover crop during May, June, July and August. The severe checking of growth, even though sufficient moisture is had later, means a partial loss of crop. It may also mean at least a partial loss of next year's crop due to the formation of an insufficient number of fruit buds. The orchard should never be allowed to stand in the spring until it becomes too hard to plow."

New Early Raspberry Is Developed in Minnesota

Fruit growing stations operated over the state in co-operation with the division of horticulture of the University of Minnesota are being supplied with a limited amount of stock of an early ripening seedling raspberry known as Minn. No. 223. The new seedling is one of a large number originated at the state fruit breeding farm by university horticulturists from self-pollinated stock of the Latham, which was developed several years ago at the farm from a cross of the King and Louden raspberries and which has become an outstanding berry in Minnesota and has proved its worth under tests in many eastern and Middle West states. The new variety produces a good quality berry which ripens a week to ten days earlier than the Latham and is apparently less susceptible to mosaic than even the Latham. As stock of the new berry accumulates, further distribution will be made in order to bring about a general test of its merits.

Different Methods of Training Raspberries

There are various methods of training raspberries. Probably the best system for average conditions is the narrow hedge system. Under this plan, young plants are allowed to develop from tips or suckers, depending on the variety, along the rows between the plants originally set. About eight inches should be allowed between the plants retained, all others being removed. Under this system, practically all cultivating can be done with a one-horse cultivator or garden tractor. A hoe can often be used to advantage for destroying weeds between the plants and for removing excessive plants. A trellis may or may not be used with this system, as desired.

Irrigation Will Help Yield of Strawberries

Overhead irrigation of strawberries increased the yield of berries more than 300 per cent over the yield from unirrigated plants, according to results just announced on tests made by A. S. Colby, associate chief of pomology in the experiment station of the college of agriculture, University of Illinois. In addition to the heavier yield, the fruit from the irrigated plants was larger and of finer quality.

These results were obtained during the 1925 growing season when conditions were abnormally dry for strawberries. The application of necessary moisture through overhead irrigation at the critical period in fruit growth thus saved the crop.

Horticulture Notes

Lime is not relished by the strawberry and raspberry, which rather like an acid soil.

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The demand for McIntosh apples has been better than for most other varieties this season.

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The curculio has been causing considerable damage of late. A heavy lime spray just after the petals fall in addition to the arsenate of lead will be found very helpful.

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Start spraying the currant bushes as soon as the leaves unfold. You will go a long way towards keeping plant lice out of the garden as the currants are their favorite nurseries in spring.

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One of the fruit growers in Oregon has found that dead hens make an excellent fertilizer for young fruit trees. He keeps about 800 hens in connection with his orchard, and the loss of hens by death amounts to from 3 to 8 per cent in different years.

CALIFORNIA NEWS BRIEFS

The Charles N. Felton Redwood Grove of 100 acres on the south fork of the Eel river, Humboldt county, was dedicated Sunday June 12 with appropriate ceremonies under the auspices of the Save-the-Redwoods League. President Ray Lyman Wilbur of Stanford University delivered the chief address. A feature of the exercises was the unveiling of a memorial plaque, designed by Haig Patigan, famed sculptor, in honor of Senator Felton. This latest of the numerous tracts of virgin redwoods to be preserved is the gift of Mrs. Kate Felton Neilson of San Francisco, daughter of Felton, who served two terms in the House of Representatives, and was then in the United States Senate, where he represented California with distinction. He was a pioneer of the State, coming here in the days of the early gold rush as a boy of 17 years.

Luther Burbank's work is to be carried on by one of the largest nursery organizations in the country, the Stark Plant Breeding Farm and Nursery Company of Louisana, Mo., it has been announced by Mrs. Elizabeth Burbank, widow of the plant wizard. An agreement was consummated, she stated, whereby the Missouri firm takes over the bulk of the Burbank experimental gardens at Santa Rosa and Sebastopol on a ten-year lease, with an option of 25 years' extension. The financial consideration involved was not given out. All experiments underway at the time of Burbank's death a year ago will be carried on by the aid of voluminous notes and detailed data, which he left on each plant, fruit and flower, it was stated. The company takes over more than 900 varieties of perfected experiments.

Lieutenant Governor Buron R. Fitts narrowly escaped death with Captain H. C. Claiborne, California National Guard, when their airplane was forced down and turned on end in a plowed field near Dunsmuir last week. The plane was over Mount Shasta when Captain Claiborne discovered that one gasoline tank was completely dry and the other was almost empty, due to a leaking pipeline. He turned back on his course and headed for Dunsmuir, but ran out of gas above the town of Gazelle. The National Guard officer picked out the only likely looking landing spot, the plowed field, and volplaned. The wheels of the plane stuck, throwing it on end. Fitts escaped with a cut across the bridge of his nose. Captain Claiborne was uninjured.

Characterizing the bill as "one of the most important conservation measures adopted in recent years," State Forester M. B. Pratt has declared that Gov. Young's signature of Assembly Bill 998, postponing the opening of the deer season in the Sierra Nevada region two weeks, will eliminate hundreds of forest fires at one of the periods of greatest fire hazard. The new act provides that the deer season shall open on September 15, two weeks later than heretofore. The season will close October 15. It was backed by the State Fish and Game Commission, the State Board of Forestry, the United States Forest Service and the California Forest Protective Association.

Announcement that he will enter a plane in the proposed $50,000 San Francisco-to-Honolulu flight has been made by William D. Tremaine, airplane manufacturer of Brea, Orange County. The machine, which was designed by a young Austrian engineer, is to be of low-winged monoplane type. Construction is already under way, and it is expected that it will be ready for trial flights by July 15, Tremaine said. Everything is to be in readiness to hop off by August 1, and the pilot, according to present plans, will be Otto Schager of Anaheim. Schaffer, considered one of the best flyers on the Pacific Coast, owns a plane similar to the one under construction.

More than 290 new army and navy planes are to be added to San Diego's air fleet during the fiscal year 1928-29. The aircraft squadrons of the battle fleet will get 132 new type fighting, type, bombing and scouting planes; the marine corps aviation expeditionary squadrons thirty-three new fighting and bombing planes, including two Fokker monoplanes, and the naval air station twenty-six ships of various types.

An 80 mile gale, sweeping through Bakersfield at 5 o'clock the afternoon of June 7 destroyed the airplane hangar at Kern County Airport, crushing eight airplanes and doing damage roughly estimated at $18,000. Portions of the big hangar were hurled across the state highway 50 feet to the west, temporarily blocking north and south bound traffic and tearing out a section of telephone lines.

A tiny piece of land held by a homesteader, D. M. Halbert, near Bakersfield, is a bloodless battle ground in an attempt of oil interests to build a tortuous road over the rolling hills into the new oil area three miles northwest of Round Mountain Oil Field. Only this key piece of homestead property, protected by fences and heavy padlocked gates, is in the path of the road over which heavy derrick equipment will be hauled, and the owner will not give a right of way, it is said. To build around the homestead will cost the oil developers a large sum

Construction of the new grape juice factory of the California Grape Products Company is under way at Delano, Kern County.

Street improvements in Bakersfield for the first half of the year 1927 will cost in excess of $160,000, it was estimated by the City Engineer.

California ranks fifth in the number of telephone stations in the United States, having more than 6 per cent of the nation's 17,500,000 telephones now in service.

With a total of $32,257,761 in new building permits issued during April, California continued to maintain third position among her sister states in construction activity.

One hundred petitions favoring the formation of a Kern River levee district for the permanent protection of Bakersfield against an overflow of Kern River are being circulated by members of the Bakersfield Civic Commercial Association.

A cache of gold coins amounting to $227.50 was discovered recently in a garden belonging to a resident of Yreka, Siskiyou County. The coins bore dates from 1839 to 1851. Old-timers believed the coins were buried by the late John H. Rammers, a cabinet maker of Yreka.

Six hundred young men and women received the degrees of Bachelor of Arts or Bachelor of Education at the commencement exercises of the University of California at Los Angeles on June 10th. This is the largest graduating class the University has had at the Los Angeles branch.

Grazing Inspector R. R. Hill of Washington, D. C., and Fred P. Cronemiller of the San Francisco federal forestry office are at present engaged in investigation work on the Modoc National Forest in connection with a controversy of many years standing between the sheepmen and cattlemen running stock on adjoining ranges.

Since its organization in 1918, the Save-the-Redwoods League has secured the preservation of 3000 acres of virgin redwood timber lands in Humboldt and Del Norte countries. The lands with timber are worth $1,000,000. The 3000 acres are a small fraction of the original 1,500,000 acres of redwoods that once covered a strip of California coastal highlands extending from Monterey county to the Oregon line.

A granite slab, said to be about thirty feet in width, 300 feet in length and twenty feet thick, is being dug out of the earth at the California Granite Company's quarry at Porterville. Trenches have been dug around the granite slab, holes are bored through the trenches and the slab is being lifted gradually. The slab is said to be one of largest ever quarried and contains enough granite, it is asserted, to construct a number of buildings.

Raids on twelve fruit stands in Modesto and near-by towns last week resulted in the condemning of 130 cases of Imperial Valley cantaloupes by A. L. Rutherford, horticultural commissioner. According to Rutherford, the melons did not come up to the State standard. "Stanislaus county, being an extensive producer of cantaloupes, has prided herself upon the quality of cantaloupes produced and shipped, and cannot afford to permit low grade or junk cantaloupes to be put upon the market in the county," Rutherford said.

Stories of people attacked by wild animals in the early days of the West have been recalled by exciting experiences of telephone workers near Lake Tahoe. Max Goodman, while walking through a lonely piece of forest near the lake was atacked by an animal in the darkness, his clothing torn to shreds, and his body badly scratched. Several residents near the lake have since reported being attacked by a large animal at night. The beast always assauts in the darkness and is supposed to be a wildcat or mountain lion.

A gigantic bonfire, on the summit of Mount Tamalpais heralded on the evening of June 13, the start of the California-Oregon Indian marathon the next morning, under auspices of the Redwood Empire Association. Thirteen Indian runners, three from New Mexico and the rest from California and Oregon, started from San Francisco City Hall at 10 a. m., on a run of 480 miles over the famous Redwood highway, to Grant's Pass, Ore. Fleetest runners are expected to reach Grant's Pass in eight days, but a fifteen-day limit has been set.

A rainstorm, the heaviest on record for June in fifteen years, visited Northern and Central California last week, bringing with it thunder and lightning. The storm broke unexpectedly, without warning from the United States Weather Bureau. It had been charted several hundred miles off the coast, but was not expected to reach land until later. In the main the downpour was beneficial. What small damage was done came from lightning, and there was some destruction of small fruits. But this was far more than offset by benefits to pastures and certain fruits, and lessening of brush fire dangers.

Examinations for entrance to the University of California will be held this year during the week of June 20-25, by the College Entrance examination Board. This is the first year the University has not given its own examinations. Students wishing to enter any of the larger colleges or universities in the United States may take these examinations, which are held in 300 centers in America, Europe and Asia. In California they will be held at the Hearst Gymnasium, Berkeley, at Los Angeles, Carpinteria, La Jolla, Ojai and at Stanford University.

DAIRY

RIGHT START FOR CALF IMPORTANT

"Give the calf a good start. The first six months of its life is not only the most expensive time, but also the most critical period and the time when most difficulties appear."

The suggestion made by Prof. F. W. Atkeson, dairy husbandman for the University of Idaho.

"Most dairymen," he says, "make a practice of leaving the calf with its mother for at least the first day or possibly longer, depending on the condition of the cow and calf. The first milk, called colostrum, is high in minerals and protein which start the calf's development. It also tends to put the digestive tract in good condition and it develops disease-preventing antibodies in the blood.

"After the calf is removed from its dam it should be fed its own mother's milk for four or five days, after which time it may be given mixed milk from the entire herd. For calves of the smaller breeds, like Jerseys or Guernseys, from six to eight pounds per day, divided into either two or three equal feeds at regular intervals, may be fed. Larger breeds, like Holsteins, will need ten to twelve pounds per day. In a few days the quantity may be raised two pounds if the calf seems able to bear it. It is well to bear in mind, however, that more calves die from overfeeding than from underfeeding.

"The calf may be safely changed from whole milk to skim milk at any time after two weeks of age, the time depending upon such conditions as the value of calves and milk. The change should be made gradually by substituting one pound of skim milk for one pound of whole milk each day. As the calf gets older the milk allowance may be increased until at three months it is receiving from fifteen to twenty pounds per day.

"It must here be borne in mind that the fat removed from the milk must be replaced by grain. The calf should be encouraged to eat grain as early as possible and for the first three or four months should be fed all it will consume at each feeding. After this grain may be limited to three pounds a day. The calves should have water and salt before them at all times. Fresh, good quality hay should be fed regularly as early as the calves will consume it."

Utensils of Dairy Must Be Thoroughly Cleaned

Everything that comes in contact with milk and cream needs washing and scalding after use. Milk contains an abundance of food for bacteria. When particles of milk are left in the milk utensils they soon sour and produce objectionable odors and flavors. Unless these breeding places for bacteria are removed quickly and thoroughly they cause the milk and cream of the next milking to become contaminated and spoil. It does not make any difference how clean and sweet the fresh milk may be, the cream cannot reach the creamery in good condition if handled in unwashed or unclean utensils.

After use the milk pails, strainer, dipper, separator and all other utensils should first be rinsed with cold water. This will remove the milk which adheres to them. This thorough rinsing makes the washing easier. Then the utensils should be washed with hot water that contains some alkali, such as washing powder. A brush and plenty of elbow grease is also necessary. After washing they should be rinsed and thoroughly scalded with plenty of boiling hot water.

Where the milking is done with a machine the rubber tubes and teat cups should be placed in a disinfectant solution and allowed to soak until the next milking. Then they should be rinsed out with clean water before using.

In Selecting Herd Bull Carefully Study Records

When selecting a herd bull, see to it that he is not only of satisfactory individuality himself, but that his ancestry is a fair guarantee of a continuance of that individuality in his get. Satisfied on this point, study the pedigree. If you are a Holstein breeder, for instance, you will want to know the conditions under which the several day records were made, and you will also want to know how much 365-day blood is in the more or less immediate ancestry. You will also want to know if the butter records were made with a normal Holstein percentage of fat, or whether the large butter records were made from a relatively small quantity of milk.

Groom Cows Daily

When cows are kept in stables it is of special importance that they receive a daily grooming. If the long hairs on the flanks and udder are clipped it will aid in keeping these parts clean. In addition to grooming, it is important that a damp cloth be used to wipe off any dirt or dust from these regions before the cow is milked. Sufficient bedding, proper construction of the stables and frequent cleaning of both the stables and the cows will make for sanitary conditions.

SUMMERY GEORGETTE PRINTS; FOR THE VACATION WARDROBE

THE stage is "all set" for about as enchanting a midsummer fashion scene as fancy can picture. For both matron and flapper the mode has prepared delectable frocks of fluttery sheer chiffons, topped with big drooping-brim chapeaux whose colorfulness will happily join forces with the tones and tints of growing flowers and summer skies.

The gowns and hats in the picture are typical of the mode whose reign is foretold for this summer. While these lovely costumes portray the general trend toward hats big of brim and frocks daintily sheer, only the individual ensemble can convey the glory of color which will be achieved throughout dress, headwear, footwear; likewise every accessory.

Long snug-fitting sleeves are an outstanding feature of the multi-colored, beflowered chiffon frocks as now worn. A charming vagary of the mode is to omit applied trimmings in styling these sheer transparencies, arriving at effect by a most intriguing handling of the fabric, in multitudinous drapes, panels, tiers and the like.

Side-fullness is becoming quite a factor in styling. This same is put into practice in the instance of each of the gowns in the illustration. For the dress on the standing figure, a wide sash of self-material tied over the left hip answers to the call for ribbons, also shoulder flowers of self-fabric, are favorite trimming details.

Of course you are not thinking of starting on that vacation trip without a smart jersey sports frock. If so, be of good cheer, for there is yet time to change your mind, and it's a fact your wardrobe would be sadly lacking without a pretty, becoming jersey one-piece dress or jumper suit. Nothing equal to jersey for faithful service! A jersey frock has the faculty of being tucked into any corner of auto trunk or week-end suitcase, coming forth at the propitious moment unwrinkled and ready to wear.

The jersey frock in the picture is a likeable model, because of its extreme simplicity; likewise its extreme modishness. It makes its style appeal in such smart details as a to-the-front plaited fullness, also its twin-belt effect, these two-in-one belts being outstanding in the season's showings.

Clever innovations are continually being introduced in the styling of jersey frocks. They are such as tend to maintain a lively enthusiasm for the dress or suit or ensemble of jersey. There is, for instance, the unique method of employing several shades of the same color, as in case of a blue jersey frock, which seams several cone-shaped sections together, ranging from navy through delft and marine, to palest tint, the entire cross

For the Matron and Flapper.

A Simple Jersey Frock.

the now-so-extremely-modish big-bow trimming, at the same time giving the impression of a generous side-fullness.

The seated figure adopts a shirred side-insert which, while it assures the desired fullness, also attains an uneven hemline, which is also a matter of outstanding style importance.

As to the printed motif for chiffons and georgettes, fashion runs to extremes from tiny florals to huge flowers, especially roses. Colored velvet ing the blouse from one central point like rays of the sun. So deftly are the colors assembled and the fabrics manipulated, the effect is rather that of an ombre material which is dyed in the knitting. Metallic interknitted effects are smartly exploited in jersey.

Lovely for summer sportswear are pastel colored or white jersey frocks embroidered with gay woolen yarns.

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SUNSHINE CAKE IS DELICATE IN COLOR

Contains Large Proportion of Eggs, but No Butter.

(Prepared by the United States Department of Agriculture.)

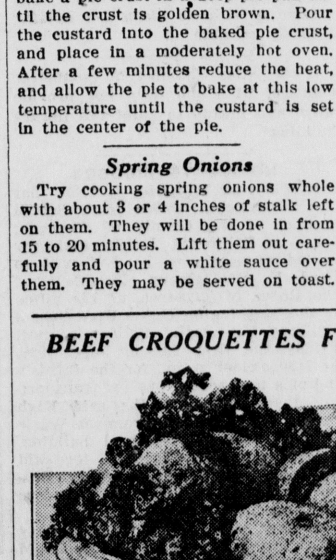
Sunshine cake is one of the sponge group, containing a large proportion of eggs and no butter or other fat. Some of the egg yolks are used, but not all of them, hence it has the delicate yellow color that gives it its name, but differs in texture somewhat from plain sponge cake.

Farmers' Bulletin 1450-F, "Home Baking," which may be obtained by anyone on application to the United tates Department of Agriculture, contains the following recipe for sunshine cake:

Sunshine Cake.

6 egg whites	1 cupful sifted soft wheat or pastry flour
3 egg yolks	1 cupful sugar
1 teaspoonful flavoring	½ teaspoonful salt
1 teaspoonful cream of tartar	

Beat the yolks and whites of the eggs separately, adding half the salt to the egg whites so that they will beat up very stiff. Add the sugar to the beaten egg yolks and begin adding the flour which has been sifted with the cream of tartar and the rest of the salt. This mixture will be so stiff that you will have to add some of the beaten egg whites for moisture before all



Sunshine Cake.

the flour is mixed in. Fold the egg whites in very carefully so as not to release any of the air which you have been so careful to beat in. The air is the only leavening in this kind of cake. Last of all add the flavoring. Vanilla, lemon or orange extract may be preferred. Pour the batter as soon as it is mixed into a smooth, ungreased tube pan. This type of pan is best to use for baking a cake of the sponge type because the center opening allows the mixture to heat evenly. The oven should be ready for the cake as soon as it is mixed and in the pan, but be careful not to have the oven too hot.

Secret of Custard Pie With Crisp Undercrust

Here's the secret of a custard pie with a crisp undercrust—a prebaked shell—according to the bureau of home economics.

Custard Pie.

1½ cupfuls milk	3 eggs
⅛ teaspoonful salt	¼ cupful sugar
1 teaspoonful vanilla	

Put the milk and the sugar in a double boiler and bring to the scalding point. Add the well-beaten eggs, salt and the flavoring. In the meantime bake a pie crust in a deep pie pan until the crust is golden brown. Pour the custard into the baked pie crust, and place in a moderately hot oven. After a few minutes reduce the heat, and allow the pie to bake at this low temperature until the custard is set in the center of the pie.

Spring Onions

Try cooking spring onions whole with about 3 or 4 inches of stalk left on them. They will be done in from 15 to 20 minutes. Lift them out carefully and pour a white sauce over them. They may be served on toast.

THRIFT IN BUYING FOOD FOR FAMILY

Know What Is Liked, Buy Carefully and Don't Waste.

(Prepared by the United States Department of Agriculture.)

Being thrifty in buying and using food need not mean going without everything the family likes. It may not mean having a lower food bill than your next-door neighbor, for the food needs of her family may be altogether different from those of your household. You will be thrifty if you know what constitutes the right kind of food for each person in your home, if you buy carefully, and allow nothing to be wasted.

Do you know how many pounds of sugar, butter, flour, coffee, and other much-used foods your family requires each week? How many dozen eggs when eggs are plentiful—how few you can manage with when they are scarce? How much of a given kind of meat to buy for a single dinner, for two dinners, or for a dinner and lunch next day? How many slices of pineapple there are in a can—in other words, how many it will serve? How many makings of breakfast cereal there are in a box of each kind?

Definite knowledge on such points as these, together with a good system of planning meals and buying for them will go a long way toward thrifty management of the food supply. Some housekeepers who keep accounts go over the preceding month's food bills, and not only discover some of the facts of this kind that they need to know, but also arrive at an estimate of how much the food per day averages, or, in some cases, the food per person per day. The advantage of having some such figure as this to guide one is that it helps one to plan for the next week or month and to buy more exactly. If you know just what use is to be made of every pound of food material you purchase, there will be fewer disconcerting left-overs to use up, and the tendency to use materials too lavishly will also be checked. In small families, it may prove most economical to buy perishables in day-to-day amounts, rather than to lose part through spoilage; but as a rule, buying in very small quantities is expensive, either because of the uneven division of the selling price for halves or quarters, or because the dealer charges a higher rate. It takes him four times as long, for instance, to handle and wrap four quarter pounds of butter as is required for one pound of butter.

Staple groceries and canned goods are often sold at a lower rate in dozen or half dozen lots, and consequently may be wisely purchased that way. Time as well as money is saved by shopping for such articles in quantity at intervals of several weeks or more. Clubbing with neighbors is often a means of buying perishables at wholesale rates.

Foods in season are cheaper than those out of season, but locally produced foods may sell higher than those brought from a distance, because of freshness, according to the United States Department of Agriculture.

Buy by weight when you can. Estimate the pound rate on package goods and compare one kind with another. Foods in packages are often preferred to those sold in bulk because of the sanitary protection given by the sealed carton.

Selling services are paid for by the customer. Stores run on the "cash-and-carry" plan have eliminated the cost of delivery and credit. If your time is valuable, however, it may be better for you to buy in quantity where delivery is furnished, even if you have to pay more. True thrift sees all the needs of the home as a whole and finds, sometimes, that the lowest dollars-and-cents cost may not be the thriftiest management.

BEEF CROQUETTES FOR FAMILY OR GUEST

Made of Any Cooked Left-Over Lean Meat.

(Prepared by the United States Department of Agriculture.)

Good croquettes can be made of any cooked left-over lean meat. Beef makes particularly tasty croquettes, suitable for a family dinner or for a guest luncheon. The proportions in the following recipe are given by the United States Department of Agriculture:

Beef Croquettes.

1 pound upper round steak, or other lean beef	2 eggs
1 teaspoonful salt	1 teaspoonful parsley, chopped
½ medium-sized onion, grated	Stale bread, finely grated into crumbs
1 cupful mashed potato, seasoned, or 1 cupful thick cream sauce	

Simmer the meat in a small amount of water until tender and then grind, using the fine knife of the grinder. Add the other ingredients, but reserve one egg for dipping. Mix well. Form the meat into balls, or mold into oblong or cone shapes. Dip into the beaten egg which has been well mixed with one tablespoonful of water. Roll in finely sifted bread crumbs and place on a pan or board, and let stand for an hour or longer for the egg coating to dry.

Heat in an iron kettle any desired fat until hot enough to brown a bread crumb in forty seconds. Then carefully place the croquettes in a wire basket, lower them slowly in the fat, and cook until a golden brown. As the croquettes are removed put them on a paper to absorb the excess fat and keep warm in the oven until all are prepared. Serve with garnished parsley and tomato sauce.

Or for an oven-browned instead of a fried croquette, use 1½ instead of 1 cupful of cream sauce in the mixture. This is a little more difficult to mold. Shape the croquettes in the way described, dip them in egg and crumbs, and place them on a greased pan to brown in a hot oven. Serve as described above.

The KITCHEN CABINET

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Wear a smile on your face,
Keep a laugh in your heart,
Let your lips bubble over with song:
'Twill lighten your load
As you travel life's road
And help other sinners along.

"COME OVER TO TEA"

It is not necessary that we have large means or great wealth to enjoy the comfort of entertaining our friends. To entertain simply is just as enjoyable and within the means of ordinary folks. The joy of giving, as well as receiving hospitality, should not die out. There are always those away from home who appreciate a home meal and the comfort that goes with it. On Sunday, when the dinner is served during the middle of the day, tea is such a happy time to have one's friends drop in. The meal need not be a substantial one and it may be served in any manner suited to one's taste. If chilly or rainy, a lunch before the grate, serving everything from the tea wagon, is a most delightful way. A chafing dish with a hot dish, or any food, may be quickly prepared and brought from the kitchen. There are few who do not enjoy helping to prepare the meal, either from the chafing dish or kitchen range. It breaks up any feeling of formality and aids the hostess at the same time.

If the night is damp and chilly, a good hot soup is always relished. Hot sandwiches with coffee will be enjoyed.

With the variety of canned soups of all kinds, including vegetables and meats, one will always find something agreeable.

Here are a few suggestions:

Milk or cream toast prepared from hot, freshly made toast, dipped around the edges in hot milk and spread generously with butter, then covered with a rich white sauce thickened, using two tablespoonfuls of flour and two of butter to a pint of milk. When wishing to make the dish more nourishing, add some grated cheese with a dash of red pepper.

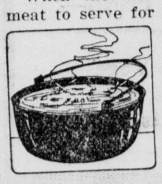
Fresh ginger bread with apple sauce and cottage cheese or as a dessert; serve the ginger bread with whipped cream.

Cottage cheese used to stuff dates, or cottage cheese with a bit of salad dressing on lettuce makes a fine dish of salad.

For the drink, if cool, there is tea; add sugar, cloves or sliced bits of preserved pineapple and the cream. Then there is cocoa, coffee, malted milk. If the day is warm, the variety of iced drinks are legion and one may stock one's ice chest with endless variety of bottled waters, all most cooling and gratifying.

Extending Meat Flavors.

When one has a small amount of meat to serve for a family the flavor will season vegetables added to it while cooking, which will satisfy the appetite fully as well as a meal of more meat.



Mutton With Vegetables.—Take a coarse cut of mutton, cut into serving-sized pieces and brown in a little fat, add a few carrots cut into small pieces and an onion or two. Cook in water to cover until all is tender and well cooked. The gravy may be slightly thickened or the meat may be dredged with flour before browning.

Lamb Cutlets.—Remove the lean meat from two pounds of the forequarter of lamb and put through the meat grinder. Mix the meat with one cupful of dried crumbs, one egg slightly beaten, one cupful of canned tomatoes or milk, three chopped pimentoes, two and one-half teaspoonfuls of salt. Form into cutlets and put into a very hot well greased frying pan. Turn the meat frequently until well seared on both sides, cook six to eight minutes and remove to a hot platter. Serve with:

Pimento Sauce.—Brown two tablespoonfuls of fat and two slices of onion in the pan in which the cutlets were cooked. Add two tablespoonfuls of flour, one cupful of stock from the bones, salt and pepper to taste. Stir and cook until smooth and thick; strain and add half a pimento cut into bits.

Rice With Fried Ham.—Take a cupful of fried ham which has been put through the meat grinder, add one-half cupful of rice cooked until tender, salt to season, half a small minced onion and a tomato or two for moisture. Bake until well blended and piping hot. Serve from the baking dish.

Luncheon Macaroni.—Cook two cupfuls of macaroni in plenty of boiling water, well salted. Drain, pour cold water through it and place in a buttered baking dish. Put one cupful of boiled ham through the meat grinder, add two tablespoonfuls of flour and two cupfuls of buttermilk, a little at a time; cook until boiling. Pour this over the macaroni with one-half cupful of cheese and bake in a hot oven fifteen minutes.

Nellie Maxwell

Conspiracy and Compromise

By H. IRVING KING

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"MRS. RANDOLPH TORRYMAN and Miss Torryman sailed on the Gigantic yesterday for a three months' tour of rural England." That was what the papers said. As a matter of fact, neither Mrs. Torryman nor her daughter, Marcia, had sailed anywhere. Mrs. Torryman had had her social secretary give out that item of "society news" so that she might get a little well-earned rest. She was not as young as she used to be and the last social season had been a little too much for her. She wanted to get somewhere where she could dine at six and read herself to sleep at nine.

In order to do this she absolutely had to do the vanishing act. For she was a very great lady in the social world; one of those who, if they speak to you three times at a dinner party, establish your social future beyond all doubt. More than all Mrs. Torryman was anxious to remove Marcia from the sphere of influence of Capt. Griswold Ives, an army officer, well enough in his way but without money. She had other plans. So she took a small house in the rather remote small town of Glendale and whisked Marcia away there.

Glendale had its own society which never thought of connecting the rather dowdily dressed widow who had taken the "Stevenson place" with the great society leader they had read about in the papers.

For the first three weeks nobody called. Then Mrs. Ralph Sillinger, whose husband ran the town's "department store," was seized with a fit of curiosity and dropped in on the newcomers. She was very condescending and patronizing and decided to ask the newcomers to tea.

She did, and then the trouble began Mrs. Torryman declined the invitation on account of "ill health," but Marcia accepted. All the women who attended Mrs. Sillinger's tea were delighted to get a new arrival "in their midst" to patronize and took full advantage of the opportunity.

All very well. But Mrs. Sillinger had a son, a young man of twenty-six or seven, heir apparent of the department store and the greatest "catch" in Glendale. And Robert, the son, dropped in on his mother's tea party and saw Marcia. Robert was an overseas man; Marcia saw his Legion button and took to him at once. They managed to get into a corner together and had a brief but earnest conversation. He asked permission to call and it was granted.

The news of the "infatuation" of Robert Sillinger for the stranger-girl went straight as an arrow to the ears of Cora Sanford; and the young man found an indignant and angry girl waiting for him when he called on her the following night. When Cora had finished what she had to say, Robert said, "Now just let me talk a minute." His talk went back to the fighting fields of France; to a front line trench and two comrades in arms waiting for the zero hour to go over the top; and confiding messages to each other to be delivered in case one of them "went west" and the other survived.

When he had finished Cora said, "Oh Bobbie—how foolish I was to doubt you. Can I help?"

"Perhaps," replied Robert, "but for a while you and I had better pretend to be rather on the outs."

Robert went to call on Marcia—and he kept on calling. Mrs. Torryman was indifferent at first; then puzzled, and then indignant. That her daughter should seriously consider marrying Robert Sillinger was unthinkable. What did it mean?

At last Mrs. Torryman said tearfully, "I almost wish I had let you marry Griswold Ives."

"Well, you wouldn't," said Marcia, "and now you see!"

Mrs. Torryman was really crying now.

"Oh, please don't, mother," said Marcia soothingly. I'll tell you what I'll do. We'll compromise. I will dismiss Robert Sillinger this very night if you will cease to oppose my marriage with Captain Ives.

"I suppose I must submit—you ungrateful child!" returned Mrs. Torryman.

You see Griswold Ives and Robert Sillinger had been "buddies" over in France, and after the war Ives had gone into the regular service and become a captain. Robert had been told all about Marcia—been told in dugouts and trenches; had seen her picture, which Griswold always carried with him. And Griswold had written to Marcia all about his "buddy," Robert. So, when they met at Mrs. Sillinger's tea, and Marcia told Robert how matters stood, they just naturally hatched up their little conspiracy.

Mrs. Torryman returned with her daughter to town hurriedly; and Robert and Cora were married soon after. Marcia disposed of, Mrs. Torryman cheerfully resigned the sceptre of society to younger hands; and, Captain Ives' uncle dying and leaving him a fortune, not only became reconciled to her daughter's marriage but became persuaded that she had brought it about herself.

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TOWNSHIP BRIEFS

Miss Mamie Duarte, assistant postmistress at Niles, is taking a two-weeks vacation from her duties. During her absence Miss Hazel Kell will assist her sister, Postmistress Caroline Kell.

Jo Oliver, Jr., had the misfortune to have his six-cylinder Star sedan badly smashed by a street car at Hayward Monday night. He and Mrs. Oliver were returning from Oakland and stopped in Hayward, leaving their car parked. When they started for Niles, Mr. Oliver backed out from the curb and just as he did so a rapidly running street car bore down on them, striking the Star just as it got under headway. The blow wrecked the hind part of the sedan, but forunately no one was injured.

THEODORE N. VAIL MEDAL AWARDED TO OSCAR KOON

A Theodore N. Vail gold medal and $500 cash has been awarded to Oscar T. Koon, a telephone section lineman of West Palm Beach, Florida "for initiatice, courage and endurance in the public service at a time of disaster" according to an announcement issued today by The Pacific Telephone and Telegraph Co.

When the great hurricane recently swept Miami, Florida, Koon in the face of numberless hazards and in the midst of the storm, fought his way from stricken Miami to West Palm Beach, bringing the first word of the disaster to the outside world. It was Koon's report of damage done to telephone liens that made possible prompt reestablishment of telephone communication with Miami.

Vail silver medals "for noteworthy public service" and awards of $250 cash have been given by the National Committee of Award to each of the following Bell System employess: C. P. Plumstead, wire chief, Dover, N. J., for restoring telephone communications in the danger zone during the height of the recent explosions at the Lake Denmark naval stores base. H. R. Horn and H. T. Wykcoff, repairmen, Dover, who shared Plumstead's heroic task. Mrs. I. M. Spradley, operator, Tennyson, Indiana, for maintaing telephone communication during a great fire and saving Tennyson from disaster, without thought of her own safety. B. F. Hadley, manager, Hadley, Mich., for thwarting a bank robbery by spreading the alarm; for establishing telephone communication by emergency measures, when he found that all toll lines from the town had been cut, and finally, for his work with the posse which eventually captured the bandits.

The Vail Medal awards are made annually and are provided for by the Vail Memorial Fund established as a memorial to Theodore N. Vail, late president of the American Telephone and Telegraph Company.

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Mrs. D. Courvoisier returned from Oakland last Monday, where she has been serving her county as juryman for several weeks past.

Mr. and Mrs. S. J. Comport have returned from a month's visit at Seattle, en route home to Los Angeles. They visited with Mr. and Mrs. E. K. Macpherson. Mr. Comport is Mrs. Macpherson's brother.

WASHINGTON CIRCLE TO HAVE MONTHS VACATION

Due to the illness of the sister of the chairman, Mrs. C. E. Martenstein, the Martha Washington Circle of Friends will not hold a meeting during the next month. Date and place of next meeting will be announced later.

OFFICERS RAID THREE TOWNSHIP ESTABLISHMENTS

County and federal officers raided three Washington Township establishments Wednesday.

At Niles the Wesley hotel, operated by Jack Biale and Biale's home were raided first. At the home a quantity of liquor was dumped in the street. Biale was released on bail.

Carbo's soft drink establishment at Niles was next raided. It is said liquor was found at his place.

At Centerville, Dominic Gretto, operating the Gregory hotel, was booked on the same charges.

Mr. and Mrs. James R. Fallon departed for their new home at Stockton yesterday. Many friends in Niles will wish them well.

And while people have been poking fun at Henry oFrd's car he has been having his fun punching a cash register.

Congress has passed the radio bill, but your set will continue to act up and refuse to work when company comes just the same as usual.

CENTERVILLE

Miss Mary Mickle spent the week-end with her parents.

Misses Aruina and Dorothy Ormsby spent the week end at Walnut Creek.

Mrs. F. O. Bunting spent a few days in San Francisco this week.

Mr. and Mrs. Agossi were guests of Mr. and Mrs. H. Chadbourne this week.

Mr. Cyril Attwood was home for a day. Mr. Attwood graduates from Stanford on next Monday. His mother, Mrs. Attwood, will spend a few days with him and Rev. Mr. Attwood will be there for the graduating.

Rev. I. Dawson, Mrs. Dawson and daughter of Oakland, came up to attend St. James church Sunday.

It is with regret that we are soon to lose Mr. and Mrs. C. Walton. They have bought a new home in Hayward.

Mrs. C. Emerson will entertain the "Sweet 16" Thursday the 16th.

All enjoyed the Party given by the Country Club on Friday.

St. James Guild met last Wednesday with Mrs. Fitting and Mrs. Ames as hostesses. The ladies were very busy with their work. It was decided to give a bridge party June 21 at the hall at 2 p. m. Very pretty prizes are to be given as well as the down and cut prize. The committee who are handling it know what is wanted to make the affair a pleasant one. Mrs. T. E. Chadbourne, Mrs. Fitzgerald, Mrs. G. Mathiesen, Mrs W. Wyatt and Mrs. F. Adams. As the seating capacity is limited, get your tickets early.

KARNIVAL VISITORS

The Reverend Mr. Stevenson and his Boy Scouts from Irvington, members of the Newark Christian Endeavor, Mr. George Famer and his friend from San Leandro were visitors at the Kommunity Karnival held last Friday. Their visit was greatly enjoyed and appreciated.

The following appeared in The Honolulu Advertiser of May 30:

"Mrs. Joseph French and her house guest, Mrs. E. L. Chittenden of Niles, Cal., were joint hostesses at a bridge-tea at the Royal Hawaiian hotel on Thursday afternoon. It was a good-bye for Mrs. Chittenden and also for others among the guests who are leaving soon for the coast—Mrs. Herbert Quickel, Mrs. Reinhardt and Mrs. Chapin Day, and a welcome for Mrs. Luella Emmans.

"Bridge tables were arranged in the ladies' card-room where the other players were Mrs. J. W. Caum, Mrs. M. A. Nicoll, Mrs. William Devereux, Mrs. England Hauck, Mrs Louise Moses, Mrs. J. Bromley, Mrs. Karl Fiebig and Mrs. William Stewart. Each of the guests of honor was presented with an aloha fan holding a lovely corsage."

If the Niles Chamber of Commerce gets out of a job, why not provide ways and means to paint the library building?

NOTICE TO BIDDERS

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, that the Washington Union High School district of the County of Alameda, State of California, hereby calls for sealed proposals to be delivered to Fred F. Dusterberry, President of the Board of Trustees, at his office in the Washington Union High School Building, Centerville, California, until Friday the first day of July, 1927, at 7:30 o'clock p. m., for the furnishing of a new school bus for transporting the children of the said High School District to and from the Washington Union High School building, according to specifications for said bus on file with said Fred F. Dusterberry, at his office hereinbefore mentioned.

A copy of said specifications may be obtained at said place. Each bid must be made on proposals obtained from said Fred F. Dusterberry, and must be signed by the bidder, and accompanied by a certified check for at least ten (10) per cent of the bid or proposal, certified to by some responsible bank or banker, and made payable to the Washington Union High School District of the County of Alameda, State of California, to be retained by said high school district as agreed and liquidated damages should the party or parties to whom the contract should be awarded fail to enter into the contract after the award, or to give the bond required for the faithful performance of the contract or any bond required by law.

Bids will be opened by the said board of Trustees of the Washington Union High School District, on Friday the first day of July, 1927, at the hour of 7:30 o'clock P. M., at the office of Fred F. Dusterberry, in the Washington Union High School Building, Centerville, California.

The Board reserves the right to reject any and all bids, or any or all items of such bid.

Dated June 15th, 1927, A. D.

—F. V. JONES

Secretary of the Board of Trustees of the Washington Union High School District of the County of Alameda, State of California.

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